

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting of 26 September 2007 at 6:00 PM. The meeting took place in the Court Room, Town and County Building, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were Brian Chadwick, Michael Kopko, Whiting Willauer, Allen Reinhard and Patricia Roggeveen. Chairman Willauer called the meeting to order at 6:50 PM following a meeting of the Board of Health.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Presentation of 35 Years of Service Pin to Town Employee. Chairman Willauer presented Albert Ottison of the Department of Public Works with a 35 year service pin, noting his dedication and hard work for the Town for that many years.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, WARRANTS AND PENDING CONTRACTS

Approval of Payroll Warrant for Week Ending 20 September 2007. The Board approved the payroll warrant by unanimous consent.

Approval of Treasury Warrant and Pending Contracts for 26 September 2007.

The Board approved the treasury warrant and pending contracts by unanimous consent.

SELECTMEN'S REPORTS/COMMENT

Execution of Term Sheet with Siasconset Beach Preservation Fund Regarding Filing of Chapter 91 Waterways Permit Application (continued from 12 September 2007). Chairman Willauer read a letter from the Sconset Beach Preservation Fund (SBPF) requesting a continuance until November 14, 2007. Mr. Chadwick moved to table the request until November 14, 2007, Mr. Kopko seconded. Cheryl Bartlett representing SBPF stated the request was made to give the SBPF time to get through the Conservation Commission hearing process. So voted unanimously.

Adoption of FY 2009 Capital Projects Recommendations. The Board of Selectmen reviewed the FY 2009 capital project requests. Mr. Kopko questioned the 2 Fairgrounds Road renovation amount stating it is a lot of money for a short term temporary building. Ms. Gibson explained temporary may mean up to 10 years or more, that the figure came from the caretaking services estimate and most of the work proposed includes refurbishing the garage area and roof work. Mr. Reinhard agreed stating the work should be done to make the space more livable.

Mr. Kopko questioned Ms. Gibson on the Town Administrator's recommendation to reduce the original DPW request of \$900,000 for road work to \$200,000. Ms. Gibson noted that road work funding does come from sources in addition to capital funding; and, that it can also come from the state's Chapter 90 funds and the department's operating budget. She explained that she recommended a reduced amount because with the other funding sources available, the DPW's total available funding for the year would equal nearly \$900,000. Mr. Kopko suggested recommending the full \$900,000 request to keep up with the suggested road work amount recommended in the 2006 pavement management plan of \$1,300,000 annually. Mr. Kopko suggested eliminating the \$240,000 request for the Pleasant Street streetscape work since the work will not need to be done right away.

Mr. Kopko asked for justification of the purchase of a new fire truck and how the decision is made to purchase new versus repairing the existing truck. Fire Chief Mark McDougall explained the life cycle of a fire truck is normally 15 years, but because of the dramatic increase in the amount of calls, the use of the vehicle has changed since the initial purchase of the vehicle and it is showing signs of needing replacement.

Chairman Willauer reviewed the school and enterprise fund requests and asked if the Board has jurisdiction to review each line item. Mr. DeRensis stated if the money being spent is capital money and funded publicly then yes the Board has that right.

Mr. Kopko moved to accept the Town Administrator's recommendations with the changes as discussed. Ms. Roggeveen seconded, so voted unanimously.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

DPW: Update on Current Projects. DPW Director Jeff Willett provided a summation of current ongoing projects under the jurisdiction of the DPW. Mr. Willett explained the infiltration/inflow sewer system evaluation study and the Brant Point infiltration/inflow reduction project are both expected to come in under budget and on schedule, all other projects are currently on schedule and moving along.

Review of Gasification Facility at Landfill/Waste Options. Waste Options representative, Whitney Hall provided a detailed presentation of the process of thermal conversion technologies. Mr. Kopko suggested the Board schedule a workshop meeting to discuss steps to move forward with the process. Ms. Roggeveen said that she would like to see more solid dollar amounts for the prospective costs involved. Town Counsel Paul DeRensis cautioned the Board that there are considerably more permitting issues than what have been discussed in Mr. Hall's presentation and it will need a more fully developed accounting of the proposed project because the subsequent permitting could drive the costs up considerably. Mr. Hall agreed there is certainly more work to be done but he has spoken to the DEP and they seemed very interested in the project and seeing it work on Nantucket.

Departmental Overview: Fire Department. Fire Chief Mark McDougall provided a presentation of the Fire Department goals, activities, projects status and costs. Some discussion followed.

Mr. Kopko noted the Board of Selectmen received a letter from Judith Ross requesting the posting of Board, Committee and Commission meeting minutes and agendas on the Town's website in a timelier manner.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM.

Approved the 10th day of October 2007.